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DIARY NOTES

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1. At the Executive Committee Meeting this morning:

a. Sherman Kent reported that the Chief of the Secret Service has requested that he be permitted to participate in USIB deliberations when SNIE's are being prepared in connection with a Presidential trip overseas. The Director said that he would not agree to the Chief of the Secret Service being an ad hoc member of USIB but that he had no objection to a representative of the Secret Service working with the staff when such SNIE's were being prepared nor would he have any objection to the Chief of the Secret Service sitting in at the USIB Meeting at which the SNIE was being discussed.

b. Sherman Kent also raised with the Director the propriety of the "USEUCOM Joint Intelligence Appraisal" which was classified Secret and given a very wide distribution. (This publication has been referred to the Director of Security for investigation and recommendation.)

c. Ray Cline reported that recently a number of DD/I people have briefed selected groups of senior people in private industry. (This was worked out with Mr. Kirkpatrick and, as I understand it, the companies are those with which the Office of Operations normally does business. I assume that the briefings were also coordinated with the Office of Security, although Ray did not make this clear at the Meeting.) Ray said that the briefings had been very enthusiastically received and that he thought they had greatly helped the Agency's image. The Director said that he endorsed this type of thing and felt that this type of activity plus our 100 Universities' Program was the best way we could combat such adverse publicity as The Invisible Government, The Bay of Pigs, etc.

2. Jack Earman talked to me about the possibility of changing Ken [redacted]'s career service designation from the Office of Training (ST) to "E" and transferring him permanently to the Inspector General's staff. I said that I had no objection to this and that he had my permission to work it out with Matt Baird and [redacted].

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3. General Doleman called me about the on-again, off-again hunting trip for General Abrams, General Turner, Colonel Synnott, and himself. I feigned ignorance and said that I would check into it and call him back. After talking with General Carter I talked with General Doleman again on the telephone and told him that this trip did indeed pose problems for us. First of all, the base would be virtually closed down at the time they want to go (30-31 December) in order to allow their employees to take holiday leave. More important, however, is our concern about exposing the base to an increasing number of people. I said that it seemed virtually impossible to me that General Abrams could go down there without a number of people knowing where he had gone, what he was doing, etc., and that we were very much concerned about protecting this very important installation. I said, however, that if he or General Turner were already committed to General Abrams or if General Abrams still wanted to go down under these circumstances, we would of course accommodate them. I emphasized again that it would pose problems and that, if General Abrams should go, I would request General Doleman to emphasize to him personally the necessity for maximum security precautions. General Doleman said that he appreciated and understood our problem completely and wondered whether it would help if he and Colonel Synnott dropped out of the party. I said that, since General Turner made all the arrangements and was committed to take General Abrams hunting somewhere, I didn't think it would make any difference since he and Colonel Synnott were already witting. General Doleman said that he would convey my feelings to General Turner and possibly to General Abrams and that he would be in touch with me again in the next day or so.

4. General Carter asked me for a report on where we stand in our consideration of whether the Agency could use any of the military bases which the Department of Defense plans to close.

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5. [REDACTED], telephoned to say that he had some sensitive information to pass along to someone but felt that he could not reveal it over the telephone. (I asked Howard Osborn to have someone get in touch with him.)

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Note: Extract of paragraph 1.c. to D/S on 17 December 1964

Extract of paragraph 3 to DDCI and DTR on 17 December 1964

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